

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1- 2 (canceled)

1 **Claim 3 (currently amended):** An electronic part
2 supplying tape used in a tape feeder arranged in a part
3 supplying portion of an electronic part mounting apparatus,
4 for holding electronic parts on a ~~tape-like~~ tape member at
5 a constant pitch and for supplying the electronic parts,
6 comprising:

7 a first connecting portion formed on a first end
8 portion of a first ~~tape-like~~ tape member;

9 a second connecting portion formed on a second end
10 portion of the first ~~tape-like~~ tape member, to be connected
11 to a first connecting portion formed on a first end of a
12 second ~~tape-like~~ tape member;

13 an alignment means for positioning the first
14 connecting portion of the second ~~tape-like~~ tape member and
15 the second connecting portion of the first ~~tape-like~~ tape
16 member in a longitudinal direction, a width direction and
17 a thickness direction of the ~~tape-like~~ tape members, and

18 a holding means for holding the first connecting
19 portion of the second ~~tape-like~~ tape member and the second

20 connecting portion of the first ~~tape-like~~ tape member to
21 each other,

22 wherein the first ~~tape-like~~ tape member and the second
23 ~~tape-like~~ tape member are connectable by connecting the
24 first connecting portion of second ~~tape-like~~ tape member
25 and second connecting portion of the first ~~tape-like~~ tape
26 member,

27 wherein the first connecting portion of the second
28 ~~tape-like~~ tape member and the second connecting portion of
29 the first ~~tape-like~~ tape member are formed by coupling a
30 locking member attachment and a locked member attachment
31 respectively at the end portions of the ~~tape-like~~ tape
32 members, and the locking member and the locked member
33 constitute the alignment means.

Claim 4-6 (canceled)

1 **Claim 7 (original):** An electronic part supplying tape
2 according to Claim 3, wherein the electronic part supplying
3 tape is supplied by being wound around a supply reel in a
4 state of containing the electronic part in the recessed
5 portion.

Claim 8-9 (canceled)